

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF RUTLAND,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEB. 21, 1889.

RUTLAND:
THE TUTTLE COMPANY, PRINTERS.
1889.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

To the Taxpayers :

We have drawn orders on the town treasurer during the past year as follows : On general account 154 orders, amounting to \$24,274.37 ; on account of overseer of the poor 169 orders, amounting to \$5,907.19 ; on account of repairs of the highway 29 orders, amounting to \$3,107.19 ; and on account of Memorial hall 59 orders, amounting to \$15,868.56.

After the publication of last year's report the former board of selectmen drew 6 orders on general account amounting to \$236.77 ; 15 orders on account of overseer of the poor (being payment of bills for February, 1888) amounting to \$910.73 ; 1 order on account of repairs of highways, for \$5.99, and 2 orders on account of Memorial Hall amounting to \$1,143.31.

The orders drawn by the present board on general account may be apportioned and classified as follows :

New highways and bridges (except River street bridge).....	\$5,217 49
River street bridge.....	6,594 65
Interest on funded debt.....	4,462 50
Completion of poor house, fencing of farm and furnishing of poor house.....	1,175 61
County tax.....	210 76
Errors in taxes and refunded.....	16 86
Liquors for the town agency.....	3,162 87
General expenses, including all expenses not above specified.....	3,433 33

Lists of all orders drawn, are printed elsewhere.

NEW HIGHWAYS, &C.

We have laid a new highway around Cheney Hill, where the road was recommended to be laid by the County Court. The commissioners in the case of Greeno and others against Rutland and Pittsford laid the road across the swamp, coming out near H. E. Colburn's house, but the County Court, when the matter came before it, would not accept their report, but said that as it had been represented that the town of Rutland was willing to build a road around the hill (where the Court thought it ought to be built) they would continue the case and hold it over the town and let the town build it around the hill. In accordance with that suggestion we laid out the road and awarded land damages as follows: To J. A. Cheney and wife, \$250; to Eugene Thomas, \$350. Messrs. Spaulding and Meyerhoffer contracted to build the road for \$945, and have partly built it, and will finish it as early in the spring as the weather will permit.

We have built the following streets, which had been laid out by former boards of selectmen:—Lafayette Street, Meadow street extension, Morse street (from Forest to Spruce streets), and Cleveland avenue.

We have laid out and built an extension of Terrill street. We have also laid out an extension of Garden street, or Kendall avenue, so as to connect Grove and Pine streets, and have awarded land damages as follows: To N. S. Marshall and wife, \$1,000; D. L. Morgan, \$10; Mrs. S. M. Baker, \$150; and others interested one cent each. These land damages are not yet paid.

Negotiations have been had to widen State street, near Mrs. Spencer's, but have not yet been closed. Arrangements were at one time all made by which the Whitney place would be deeded to Mrs. Spencer for \$3500, and the town was to pay Mrs. Spencer \$500 for moving her house off the land to be taken for the street. This would make the expense to the town of widening State street \$4000.

The parties interested in the Whitney property withdrew their proposition before the deeds were drawn and wanted \$500 more, which the selectmen were not willing to pay, because we consider \$4000, ample damages, and the matter has remained in that way ever since.

The old narrow wooden bridge at the foot of Wells Hill has been replaced by a wide iron bridge and the road each side has been raised about three feet. The iron part of the bridge was contracted at \$1560, but the abutments and other work have brought up the total expense to over \$2600. It was an improvement which has been needed for a long time.

An extension of Spruce street has been laid so as to connect with Furnace street, and land damages awarded as follows: L. N. Franklin, \$275; Rutland R. R. Co., \$115; Hugh Kelley, \$5; E. A. Morse and others, one cent each. These damages are not yet paid.

DOGS.

The town clerk received for licensing dogs during the year ending November 30, 1888, \$440.00 and his fees thereon were \$35.30. The balance, \$404.70, was paid to the town treasurer. Orders have been drawn on this fund as follows:

To J. B. Harris, damage to horse.....	\$25 00
H. H. Baxter, damage to sheep.....	32 00
Jane Eastman, damage to sheep.....	24 00
W. A. Clark, constable, killing three dogs.....	3 00
Total.....	\$84 00

The balance, \$320.70, has been carried to the general fund.

A warrant to kill all "dogs not duly licensed or collared according to law" was issued by the chairman to Constable W. A. Clark, according to section 4036 of the Revised Laws, and his return, showing his doings thereon, is as follows:

"STATE OF VERMONT, }
RUTLAND COUNTY }

At Rutland in said county this 21st day of July, 1888, I return this warrant with my doings endorsed hereon as fol.

lows: I have killed or caused to be killed three dogs, one belonging to Charles Squires and the other two were vagrant dogs whose owners I was unable to find. I have entered complaint to the grand juror against the following persons for keeping dogs not licensed, after May 15th, 1888: Charles Squires, 1; Benjamin Valiquette, 2; John R. Hynes, 1; W. E. Stoddard, 1; Ed. Bowman, 1; Levi Premo, Sr., 1; J. H. Holmes, 1; and Patrick Kelley, 1; all of whom, I believe, except Charles Squires sold or in some way disposed of their dogs after May 15, 1888, for the purpose of getting them registered and to avoid having them killed.

That there are several unlicensed dogs remaining in town I do not doubt, but I have destroyed all such that I have been able to find and have entered complaint against all owners or keepers of such dogs against whom I had positive proof.

WALTER A. CLARK,

Constable of the Town of Rutland."

We don't know why these parties have not been prosecuted as the law requires and we think *ought* to have been.

GUIDE POSTS.

The last legislature, among other things, passed a law (No. 29) providing for the better maintenance of guide posts. Section 2 of that law provides that "The selectmen of each town shall submit to the inhabitants at every annual meeting a report of all the places in which guide posts are erected and maintained within the town, and all places at which, in their opinion, they ought to be erected and maintained."

Under that law we report that guide posts ought to be erected and maintained as follows: Near F. W. Shedd & Son's store at Center Rutland; at the junction of the west road leading to Proctor with the road leading to West Rutland; at the fork of the roads below H. H. Dyer's residence; at the junction of the roads near Ruel Todd's

residence; at the fork of the roads southerly from Edgar Davis' residence, and at the corner of North Main street and Woodstock avenue, near the residence of J. B. Harris. Guide posts, such as they are, have been erected for many years below Mr. Dyer's residence and below Mr. Edgar Davis' residence.

TOWN SYSTEM OF SCHOOLS.

Under the new school law towns having the town system of schools can vote at the annual meeting in March, 1889, and at every fifth annual meeting thereafter, upon the question of abolishing the town system and returning to the district system. An article for that purpose has been put in the warning. Upon the vote on that matter the law now provides that "the voters of the town embraced within the limits of such graded school district shall not be qualified to vote in town meeting upon the question of adopting the town system, or for the election of school officers therein, or upon the question of abolishing the town system, unless such district has previously voted to accept the provisions of this chapter." (See section 139 of the new school law.) Voters in the graded school district therefore cannot vote upon that article in the warning.

TRUSTEES OF SCHOOL AND OTHER PUBLIC FUNDS.

Under the provisions of act No. 11 of the acts passed at the last session of the legislature, it becomes the duty of the town to elect three trustees to manage "all real and personal estate except U. S. deposit money held in trust by the town for any purpose," etc. "The trustee first chosen shall hold office for three years, the one next chosen for two years, and the last one for one year next following their election," etc.

MEMORIAL HALL.

Of the \$15,868.56 of orders drawn on account of Memorial Hall, \$1,365.80 was to pay bills contracted by a former board of Selectmen ; \$4,164.71 was to pay for marble, labor, and materials to complete the marble steps under way of building when we came into office ; about \$600 has been expended in putting in sewer pipes, filling and grading around the outside, and the balance has been expended in finishing up the main building. The library room has been completed and the iron stacks for the books have been ordered. It is heated with a hot air furnace, which we think will be ample to heat the whole building. It will soon be occupied by the Rutland Free Library in accordance with the offer made at the last town meeting. The main room is now well under way and the whole building can be finished early in the spring.

SETTLEMENT WITH THE OTHER TOWNS.

As soon as Memorial Hall is completed a settlement should be had with West Rutland and Proctor for the amount owing to this town on account of Memorial Hall, and also on account of claims against the old town paid by the present town of Rutland. No settlement of these matters has yet been reached.

RIVER STREET BRIDGE.

The former board of selectmen made a contract for the iron work of the bridge, during the first days of March, 1888, with the Hilton Bridge Construction Company of Albany, New York. This contract was not seen by the majority of the selectmen until the work was well under way. It was then found that with the limited appropria-

tion and the conditions of the vote authorizing the erection of the bridge, the masonry work could not be done in a suitable manner and satisfactory to us, and under the circumstances we did not feel authorized to contract for the work. A special town meeting was called in September, at the request of voters, and an advisory committee was appointed, consisting of Messrs. P. W. Clement, F. Chaffee, and Selectman John J. Barrett. This advisory committee met with the selectmen several times. It was found that the masonry work could not be built according to the specifications of Mr. F. R. Patch within the amount at the disposal of the selectmen, as the condition of the vote to build the bridge was, one-half the expense should be paid by the railroads, and the railroads declined to pay more than one-half of \$15,000. The B. & R. R'y Co. also objected to any 40-foot spans being placed over its land. Arrangements were at length made that an 80-foot span should be substituted for two 40-foot spans over the B. & R. R'y Co. land, and the advisory committee had the specifications for the masonry work revised and changed, and by so doing and leaving out the expense of the Post street approach as not being *essential* to the construction of the bridge, and, as the committee decided, an expense which should be borne by the town alone, it was thought that the expense could be brought within the appropriation and what the railroads agreed to pay in addition, and bids were advertised for the masonry work, the filling and planking of the bridge. The contract for the masonry work, to be built according to the specifications as altered and changed by the advisory committee, was awarded to Ingerson & Nash of Providence, R. I. The filling and planking was awarded to J. E. Creed. The masonry work is nearly completed, and a large amount of the filling has been done and the iron work is in process of erection. The bridge will probably be entirely completed and ready for use in the early spring.

Mr. A. F. Davis has assumed no part and taken no responsibility whatever in awarding the contracts for the work and claims that he is personally damaged by the erection of the bridge in the way it is being done, and served notice upon the other selectmen and the contractors when the iron work was commenced, that he should claim from the town whatever damage it should be to his property and business.

A. F. DAVIS,	} Selectmen of the
J. W. CRAMTON,	
J. E. CREED,	
L. G. KINGSLEY,	
J. J. BARRETT,	} Town of Rutland.

Orders Drawn by Former Selectmen.

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No.	Date.	To whom.	For what.	Amount.
	1888.			
220	March 2.	Tuttle Co.,	town report, etc.,	\$118 52
221		J. E. Creed, exp.	Riv. st. bridge,	20 20
222		Duffy & Clifford,	coal town hall,	4 40
223		Rut. Ele. L't Co.	grav. Crescent st.	7 65
224		Alonzo Levins,	paint'g, to'n farm.	36 00
225		R. O. Hewitt,	land dam. Gibson av	50 00
				\$236 77

Orders Drawn by Selectmen.

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No.	Date.	To whom.	For what.	Amount.
1	March 17	Journal Co., station'y town cl'k		\$ 5 00
2		J. E. Creed, exp. town meeting		16 35
3	19.	Alonzo Levins, balance painting town farm.....		12 50
4		W. O. Morek, balance poor- house and extras.....		624 85
5	23.	Chas. Clark, treas. Interest U. S. Surplus fund.....		1,050 00
6		J. A. Merrill, town supt., vote,		150 00
7	31.	Columbia Distil'g Co., liquors,		92 50
8		Burnham & Temple, ins. liquors		17 50
9		G. H. Cheney, select'n per vote		100 00
10		J. E. Creed, selectman " "		100 00
11		J. B. Noble, " " "		100 00
12		E. C. Duffy, " " "		100 00
13		J. A. Huffmire, " " "		100 00
14	April 7.	Henry Elkey, land damage, Freeman st.....		14 38
15	11.	Park & Tilford, liquors.....		44 00
16	18.	Davis, Clark & Co., liquors...		190 36
17		Lockwood & Geery, liquors...		24 00
18	May 5.	Gosselin & Douglass, work, poor house.....		2 00
19		Columbia Distilling Co. liquors,		102 30
20		Butler & Moloney, legal services for grand jurors.....		15 00
21		Butler & Moloney, legal services for grand jurors.....		8 00

22	May	5.	L. G. Kingsley, wire bed bottoms, etc., town farm.....	\$187 56
23			Geo. C. Thrall, wash tubs, etc., town farm.....	27 85
24			James Beattie, pd. digging ditch	29 33
25			C. Clark, treas. exp. ref. orders	20 00
26		19.	C. F. Willis, bl'dg Terrill st. ex	256 63
27			Davis, Clark & Co., liquors....	194 48
28			Village of Rutland, damage to lockup by Hart, insane.....	7 85
29		29.	C. Clark, treas., interest Greenfield bonds.....	900 00
30			Davis, Clark & Co., liquors....	102 73
31			Columbia Distilling Co. liquors,	104 63
32			Louis Martell, painting and kalsoming town hall.....	206 82
33			J. E. Creed, exp. cleaning town hall and repairing chairs....	35 25
34			George T. Chaffee, lister.....	100 00
35			H. E. Colburn, lister....	100 00
36			G. B. Royce, lister	152 00
37			J. A. Merrill, lister.	150 00
38			George E. Russell, lister.. ...	100 00
39			Edward Dana, assist. to listers,	75 00
40			Tuttle Co., print'g and station'y, listers	37 32
41		31.	H. F. Field, Co. treas., Co. tax,	210 76
42	June	20.	Dunn & Cramton, wire fencing, etc., town farm.....	36 17
43			F. Chaffee & Son, fencing boards town farm	21 08
44			A. C. Bates & Son, feed box, town farm.....	3 00
45			Royce, Cramton & Co., fence posts.....	68 00
46			John H. Sutliff, liquors.....	10 00

47	June 20.	J. E. Creed, settees, town hall,	\$68 00
48		C. B. Mann, town clerk, making transfers.....	25 00
49		Harris Mfg. Co., chairs, etc., town hall.....	71 57
50		C. F. Willis, bal. bld'g Terrill st.	73 88
51		C. F. Willis, bld'g Lafayette st.,	292 69
52		C. F. Willis, bld'g Cleveland av.	12 75
53	July 7.	Columbia Distilling Co., liquors,	106 26
54		J. McGuirk, cow, town farm...	45 00
55		C. Clark, treas. interest Amherst bonds.....	400 00
56	28.	H. A. Blanchard & Co. liquors,	94 00
57		Lockwood & Geery, liquors...	47 50
58		Columbia Distilling Co., liquors,	106 26
59		People's Gas Light Co., gas, town hall, Dec. 1886.....	27 00
60		F. Chaffee & Son, plank, West street bridge.....	75 85
61	Aug. 4.	J. J. Fay, record book town cl'k	15 00
62	18.	Davis, Clark & Co., liquors...	181 88
63		E. Dana, making tax book, etc.,	125 00
64	Sept. 1.	Rut. Sav. B'k, int. town orders,	812 50
65	15.	C. Clark, treas., tax town farm,	42 28
66		Columbia Distilling Co. liquors,	98 18
67		Davis, Clark & Co. liquors....	159 06
68		C. Clark, treas., postage, etc., for tax bills.....	39 24
69		W. H. Lease, robe, town farm,	6 00
70		F. Chaffee & Son, fencing for cemetery, town farm.....	13 98
71		Journal Co., tax circulars.....	4 00
72	Oct. 10.	Tuttle Co., print. check lists, etc	98 23
73		Davis, Clark & Co., liquors...	136 33
74		Columbia Distilling Co., liquors,	105 10
75		Lockwood & Geery, liquors...	24 00

76	Oct] 10.	Luther M. Pike, concrete walk, town hall.....	\$68 71
77		W. W. Young, repairs, hall....	16 25
78		C. H. Graves & Son, liquors...	20 75
79		Park & Tilford, liquors.....	70 00
80	16.	A. F. Davis, exp. River street bridge.....	12 50
81	26.	L. G. Kingsley, carpet, town clerk's office.....	22 70
82		J. E. Post, drain pipe, Min- eral street.....	32 16
83		E. A. Valiquette, repair, hall..	1 00
84		G. W. Ross, surveying.....	19 35
85		Chas. F. Willis, acc't building Meadow street.....	125 00
86		Lockwood & Geery, liquors....	12 00
87		Davis, Clark & Co., liquors....	159 60
88		L. F. Croft, surveying.....	3 50
89	Nov. 17.	Spaulding & Meyerhoffer, acc't building Cheney Hill road..	150 00
90		J. A. Merrill, exp. school supt.,	34 23
91		L. F. Croft, surveying.....	2 50
92		James Barrett, cons. with listers	5 00
93		Review Co., advertising.....	37 50
94		Columbia Distilling Co., liquors	105 10
95		J. E. Creed, exp. voting places,	43 87
96		George H. Verder, lost order and interest.....	110 00
97		Chas. F. Willis, building cross street, Forest to Spruce.....	98 75
98	Dec. 1.	Lockwood & Geery, liquors....	29 50
99		Chas. Clark, treas., p'd tax book.	3 00
100		" " " int. Green- field bonds.....	900 00
101		E. A. Morse, ag't, land damage River street bridge.....	250 00

102	Dec.	1.	J. A. Cheney and wife, land damage Cheney Hill road...	\$250 00
103			Eugene E. Thomas, land damage Cheney Hill road.....	350 00
104			W.W. Young, Wells Hill bridge abutment.....	270 42
105			C. F. Willis, bal Meadow st. ex.	237 87
106		22.	Davis, Clark & Co., liquors...	297 53
107			Lockwood & Geery, liquors...	24 00
108			Columbia Distilling Co., liquors,	106 26
109			Duffy & Clifford, coal, town hall	95 25
110		29.	Hilton Bridge Cons. Co., iron bridge, Wells Hill.....	1,560 00
111			Hilton Bridge Cons. Co., acc't River street bridge.....	3,500 00

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112	Jan.	5.	J. & A. F. Hutchinson, repairs, town hall....	8 33
113			L. G. Kingsley, goods, town farm.....	23 00
114			A. C. Bates & Son, goods, town hall.....	5 85
115			Vermont Marble Co., work and stone, Wells Hill bridge.....	150 64
116			Ingerson & Nash, acc't masonry River street bridge.....	1,500 00
117			W. W. Young, abutments Wells Hill bridge.....	104 56
118		12.	George W. Wing, legal serv., Montpelier.....	50 00
119		19.	J. J. Barrett, widening Wells Hill road.....	466 64
120			Columbia Distilling Co., liquors,	104 81
121			Dennis Ferry, clerk fees.....	16 95
122			Park & Tilford, liquors ..	44 00

123	Jan. 19.	Davis, Clark & Co., liquors....	\$247 95
124		Ingerson & Nash, acc't masonry River street bridge.....	1,000 00
125		J. E. Creed, acct. lumber, River st. bridge.....	350 00
126		J. E. Creed, acc't filling, River street bridge.....	200 00
127		Chas. P. Harris, error taxes...	10 16
128		Joseph Geer, error taxes.....	90
129		S. Gardner, error taxes.....	90
130		Joseph McIntyre, error taxes..	1 54
131		Daniel H. Sullivan, error taxes,	1 54
132	Feb. 2.	P. C. Ricketts, engineer Wells Hill bridge.....	50 38
133		W. C. Landon, sundries per bill.	19 83
134		Alfred Ladd, error taxes.....	1 32
135		A. C. Bates & Son, nails, West street bridge.....	2 50
136		E. H. Randall, surveying Che- ney Hill road.....	20 00
137		Edward Dana, legal services and exp., Woodward suit.....	43 00
138		C. Clark, treas., Amherst bonds,	400 00
139	9.	Bates & Cain, culverts and sew- ers, Crescent street.....	240 00
140		Herald and Globe Asso. adver'g	27 10
141		Cramton & Paige, teams.....	10 00
142		J. Prout, services and expenses River street bridge.....	32 15
		C. B. Mann, town clerk, record- ing births, deaths, etc.....	32 65
144		G. W. Ross, surveying.....	14 82
145		F. Chaffee & Son, plank and lumber, Wells Hill bridge..	101 28
146		L. G. Kingsley, nails, etc., Wells Hill bridge.....	6 90

147	Feb. 9.	M. J. Francisco, insurance prior to March 1, 1887.....	32 68
148		M. J. Francisco, insurance prior to March 1, 1885	43 06
149	13.	H. A. Sawyer & Co., stationery	21 25
150		G. N. Eayres, jail bill.....	99 50
151		E. Dana, clerk and legal exp...	323 63
152		F. W. Shedd & Son, light and oil, Cen. Rut. bridge.....	29 50
153		Pelton Printing Co., order book.	3 00
154		Dunn & Cramton, sund. per bill,	95 31
			\$24,274 47

ORDERS DRAWN BY SELECTMEN ON ACCOUNT OF OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR FEBRUARY, 1888.

No.	To Whom.	Amount.
155	W. J. Dolan.....	\$ 16 53
156	J. W. Stearns.....	40 50
157	Duffy & Clifford.....	289 65
158	*Dunn & Cramton	8 00
159	J. E. Creed.....	18 32
160	J. E. Thomson.....	29 18
161	W. W. Dawley & Co.	18 00
162	F. Vaughan.....	41 00
163	M. A. Bourne.....	34 85
164	G. H. & H. W. Cheney	73 50
165	B. & D. C. Billings.	15 81
166	W. D. Hulett.....	65 12
167	M. Stearns.....	14 81
168	E. D. Keyes & Co.....	34 53
169	James Beattie.....	210 96
		\$910 73

*Contracted by O. D. Young.

MARCH, 1888.

1	E. D. Keyes & Co	\$45 83
2	Union Pacific Tea Co	17 50
3	A. F. Davis	22 55
4	J. E. Creed	22 50
5	G. H. & H. W. Cheney	68 25
6	Charles F. Willis	46 00
7	W. D. Hulett	72 00
8	Duffy & Clifford	85 00
9	John Welsh	17 35
10	M. A. Bourne	21 00
11	J. E. Thomson	17 09
12	W. W. Dawley & Co	15 00
13	B. & D. C. Billings	21 00
14	A. S. Sawyer	27 15
15	James Beattie	192 40
		\$690 62

APRIL, 1888.

16	G. H. & H. W. Cheney	\$92 80
17	W. D. Hulett	80 72
18	Gosselin & Poulin	22 16
19	W. W. Dawley & Co	19 00
20	John Welsh	14 00
21	M. Stearns	31 47
22	M. A. Bourne	24 35
23	Duffy & Clifford	53 50
24	J. E. Thomson	17 09
25	Union Pacific Tea Co	20 28
26	Levi G. Kingsley	15 25
27	S. C. Clifford	20 00
28	Vermont Asylum	22 85
29	James Beattie	131 99
		\$565 46

MAY, 1888.

30	G. H. & H. W. Cheney.....	\$48 75
31	W. D. Hulett.....	145 44
32	E. D. Keyes & Co.....	16 56
33	Duffy & Clifford.....	17 05
34	J. D. Hanrahan.....	12 50
35	W. W. Dawley & Co.....	20 00
36	Ira Seward.....	21 00
37	Edgar Davis.....	18 05
38	A. F. Davis.....	49 10
39	E. D. Barber and Bro.....	23 40
40	Levi G. Kingsley.....	34 75
41	James Beattie.....	188 00
		\$594 60

JUNE, 1888.

42	G. H. & H. W. Cheney.....	\$54 40
43	Duffy & Clifford.....	18 50
44	W. D. Hulett.....	79 16
45	Dr. J. D. Hanrahan.....	12 50
46	E. Valentine.....	19 63
47	Union Pacific Tea Co.....	29 75
48	S. C. Clifford.....	25 00
49	James Beattie.....	149 37
		\$388 31

JULY, 1888.

50	G. H. & H. W. Cheney.....	\$45 50
51	Duffy & Clifford.....	15 25
52	J. D. Hanrahan.....	12 50
53	W. D. Hulett.....	60 59
54	B. F. Pollard.....	31 14
55	L. Abraham.....	14 50
56	C. F. Willis.....	28 00
57	James Beattie.....	163 34
		\$370 82

AUGUST, 1888.

58	G. H. & H. W. Cheney.....	\$46 50
59	Gosselin & Poulin.....	18 63
60	W. D. Hulett.....	28 74
61	Duffy & Clifford.....	22 00
62	E. D. Keyes & Co.....	26 70
63	J. D. Hanrahan.....	12 50
64	W. J. Dolan....	19 78
65	Davis & Gay.....	37 00
66	W. W. Dawley & Co.....	31 50
67	James Beattie.....	186 78
		\$430 13

SEPTEMBER, 1888.

68	L. G. Kingsley.....	\$78 75
69	G. H. & H. W. Cheney.....	55 50
70	J. D. Hanrahan.....	17 50
71	Duffy & Clifford.....	29 20
72	W. D. Hulett.....	84 38
73	Mary Tully.....	16 08
74	E. D. Keyes & Co.....	27 51
75	James Beattie.....	214 67
		\$523 59

OCTOBER, 1888.

76	G. H. & H. W. Cheney.....	\$51 50
77	E. D. Keyes & Co.....	16 77
78	A. O. Cunningham.....	66 97
79	W. D. Hulett.....	55 11
80	J. D. Hanrahan.....	12 50
81	Duffy & Clifford.....	21 00
82	J. H. Chatterton....	99 42
83	James Beattie.....	173 10
		\$496 37

NOVEMBER, 1888.

84	L. G. Kingsley.....	\$72 36
85	G. H. & H. W. Cheney.....	107 45
86	J. D. Hanrahan.....	12 50
87	Duffy & Clifford.....	18 33
88	W. D. Hulett.....	147 12
89	J. H. Chatterton.....	73 91
90	M. Stearns.....	20 63
91	Union Pacific Tea Co.....	27 30
92	James Beattie.....	194 69
		\$674 29

DECEMBER, 1888.

93	W. D. Hulett.....	\$100 24
94	G. H. & H. W. Cheney.....	82 60
95	J. D. Hanrahan.....	12 50
96	E. D. Keyes & Co.....	32 94
97	L. Abraham.....	14 50
98	M. Stearns.....	47 06
99	Duffy & Clifford.....	33 05
100	Rochester Clothing Co.....	29 74
101	L. G. Kingsley....	16 50
102	James Beattie.....	228 75
		\$597 88

JANUARY, 1889.

103	James Russell, agt.....	\$42 45
104	Duffy & Clifford.....	45 93
105	E. D. Keyes & Co.....	58 17
106	G. H. & H. W. Cheney.....	71 00
107	S. C. Clifford.....	16 00
108	Hoag & Clauson.....	15 50
109	Davis & Gay.....	14 92
110	W. W. Dawley.....	18 00

111	B. Billings & Son.....	15 00
112	W. D. Hulett.....	77 04
113	John B. Noble.....	16 36
114	J. D. Hanrahan.....	12 50
115	James Beattie.....	171 25
		\$574 12

SUMMARY.

February, 1888.....	\$910 73
March, ".....	690 62
April, ".....	565 46
May, ".....	594 60
June, ".....	388 31
July, ".....	370 82
August, ".....	430 13
September, ".....	523 59
October, ".....	496 37
November, ".....	674 29
December, ".....	597 88
January, 1889.....	574 12
	\$6,816 92

SELECTMEN'S ORDERS—HIGHWAY ACCOUNT.

Drawn by former Board since publishing report of 1887.

No.	Date.	To whom	Amount.
1888.			
67	March 2	E. M. Woodruff.....	\$5 99
Drawn by present Board.			
1	March 17	A. W. Whiting.....	49 10
2	31	E. C. Duffy.....	18 00
3		Chas. F. Willis.....	46 76
4		L. G. Kingsley.....	94 58
5	April 7	J. J. Barrett	41 37
6		J. E. Creed.....	166 86
7		A. F. Davis.....	29 34
8	28	L. G. Kingsley.....	72 15
9		J. W. Cramton	30 87
10	May 19	J. E. Creed..	51 66
11	July 7	C. F. Willis...	194 90
12	Aug. 4	J. E. Post.....	23 32
13	18	J. J. Barrett.....	560 15
14	Sept. 15	Chas. F. Willis.....	52 25
15		J. E. Creed.....	424 38
16	Oct. 10	J. J. Barrett.....	230 40
17	13	Chas. F. Willis.....	405 35
18	26	J. B. Noble	68 87
19		J. E. Post.....	20 33
20	30	Chas. F. Willis.....	35 95
21	Nov. 3	J. W. Cramton....	79 01
22	17	Chas. F. Willis.....	235 75
23	Dec. 22	S. Terrill & Son.....	4 90
1889.			
24	Feb. 9	J. W. Cramton.....	28 70
25		J. E. Creed.....	69 87
26	13	O. G. Baker.....	2 50
27		J. B. Noble.....	29 12
28		J. J. Barrett.....	33 25

 \$3,099 69

ORDERS DRAWN BY FORMER SELECTMEN ON ACCOUNT OF MEMORIAL HALL SINCE PUB- LISHING REPORT OF 1888.

No.	Date.	To whom.	For what.	Amount.
	1888.			
120	Feb. 28	True Blue Marble Co., marble....		\$755 88
121	Mar. 2	A. C. Bates & Son, glass.....		387 43
				\$1,143 31*

ORDERS DRAWN BY PRESENT SELECTMEN.

No.	Date.	To whom.	For what.	Amount.
	1888.			
122	Mar. 17	*Edward Dana, clerk, pay-roll and bills to March 17.....		\$1,493 49
123	31	*Edward Dana, cl'k, sundry bills contracted by former board...		1,648 29
124		Edward Dana, clerk, pay-roll to March 31.....		266 55
125	Apr. 18	Edward Dana, clerk, pay-roll from March to April 18.....		562 74
126	21	True Blue Marble Co., marble..		73 16
127		Sheldon & Sons, marble.....		78 66
128	28	*G. W. & F. Smith Iron Co., iron beams and columns.....		121 22
129		Edward Dana, clerk, balance pay-roll and bills.....		84 49
130	May 12	J. J. Barrett, account, cutting steps, etc.....		150 00
131	29	True Blue Marble Co., marble...		127 72
132	June 5	J. J. Barrett, account, cutting steps, etc.....		300 00
133	June 7	Bartley McGarrity, work to June 1.....		66 50

134	June	20	J. J. Barrett, account, cutting steps, etc.....	\$400 00
135			*Clifford & Miner, paid for paint, etc.....	2 50
136			*Burdett & Williams, sash pulleys ..	33 25
137			C. Vt R. R. Co., bronze castings.	7 42
138			*E. C. Duffly, iron bolts, etc....	40 06
139			*David McIntosh, hollow brick and wire lath....	964 84
140	July	7	L. L. Whitcomb, repair, slate...	5 50
141		9	J. J. Barrett, balance cutting steps, etc.....	975 00
142		28	Vermont Marble Co., marble....	724 10
143			J. E. Creed, hauling marble....	79 47
144	Aug.	1	Edward Dana, clerk, pay-roll to Aug. 1.....	517 70
145		4	*J. B. Murphy, work and materials.....	55 83
146	Sept.	7	Edward Dana, clerk, pay-roll...	615 10
147		17	Harris Mfg. Co., lumber.....	573 48
148	Oct.	8	Edward Dana, clerk, pay-roll...	443 22
149		16	Davis & Gay, coal.....	48 55
150			A. F. Davis, brick.....	149 05
151		26	Harris Mfg. Co., lumber.....	60 04
152			L. G. Kingsley, materials, etc., per bill.....	218 51
153			J. E. Post, drain pipe.....	53 58
154			E. A. Valiquette, plumbing....	8 75
155		30	Edward Dana, clerk, pay-roll...	530 96
156	Nov.	17	J. E. Creed, drawing marble and tile.....	11 75
157	Dec.	1	Vermont Marble Co. tile.....	40 49
158			W. O. Morck, services on steps.	94 00
159			Harris Mfg. Co., lumber.....	136 48
160			Edward Dana, clerk, pay roll...	425 57

1889.

161	Jan.	5	Vermont Marble Co., marble....	\$5 31
162			Ira F. Seward, filling and grad'ng	200 00
163			Harris Mfg. Co., lumber.....	44 78
164			Dunn & Cramton, work and ma- terials.....	412 70
165			Edward Dana, clerk, pay-roll...	391 62
166		22	E. A. Valiquette, plumbing.....	188 97
167	Feb.	2	Vermont Marble Co., marble....	23 09
168			Harris Mfg. Co., lumber.....	249 37
169			Edward Dana, clerk, pay-roll...	554 86
170			W. C. Landon, lime, cement, etc., per bill.....	268 95
171			E. C. Lewis, sponges.....	2 40
172			*A. C. Bates & Son, sundries, per bill.....	6 32
173			Redding, Baird & Co., stained glass.....	556 42
174		9	L. G. Kingsley, materials, per bill.....	595 34
175			Davis & Gay, coal.....	60 52
176			J. D. Taylor, 50 pressed brick..	2 25
177			G. F. Brown, 50 pressed brick..	2 25
178		13	E. A. Valiquette, plumbing.....	64 82
179			J. J. Barrett, building extra wall, etc.....	21 00
180			D. M. White Lumber Co., lumber.....	29 57
				\$15,868 56

Advisory Committee's Report

ON RIVER STREET BRIDGE.

The Advisory Committee, elected at a special meeting of the voters of the town of Rutland, held at Rutland September 8, 1888, as a committee to confer and act with the selectmen in the matter of the River Street Bridge, so-called, beg to present the following report :

We have attended frequent meetings of the selectmen for the consideration of this matter, from the time of our election until October 25th, and, acting in unison with them, the following results have been attained.

The contract for building the masonry in the abutments and pedestals was awarded to Messrs. Ingerson & Nash of Providence, R. I., for \$4.95 per cubic yard. The amount of masonry, according to the plans, is 741 cubic yards, the cost of which will be :

741 cubic yards, at \$4.95.\$3,667 95

The contract for making the earth fill was awarded to Mr. J. E. Creed, at 42½ cents per cubic yard, the cost of which will be :

2,090 cubic yards, at 42½ cents, (approximate)....\$888 25

The contract for planking and wood-work was also awarded to Mr. Creed, for \$612.

This will make the total cost of the bridge, when completed :

Cost of iron work, as per contract with Hilton

Bridge Co.....	\$10,747 00
Additional cost for 80 feet span.....	1,500 00
Masonry.....	3,667 95
Earth fill.....	888 25
Planking.....	612 00

\$17,415 20

The structure, when completed according to the plans and specifications, will be in every respect first-class and fully equal to the best of its kind of highway bridges in use at the present time.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. BARRETT,	}	Advisory Committee.
P. W. CLEMENT,		
F. CHAFFEE,		

Report of Special Committee

TO DEVISE A COMPLETE AND COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEM OF
KEEPING ALL THE TOWN ACCOUNTS.

RUTLAND, VT., May 28, 1888.

*To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of the Town of
Rutland:*

Gentlemen—The following resolutions were adopted at the last annual meeting :

Resolved, That the moderator shall appoint a committee of three, whose duty it shall be to consider and devise a complete and comprehensive system of keeping all the town accounts.

Resolved, That the selectmen be instructed to adopt the system of keeping town accounts herein provided for ; and that, as far as practicable, the accounts for the past year be made to conform to the new system adopted.

Having been appointed the committee to carry out the instructions embodied in the first of the above resolutions, we would respectfully submit our report herewith, and do hereby make, in accordance with the same, the following recommendations :

First, That all material furnished on account of the town, whether by order of the selectmen, overseer of the poor, or school directors, should be furnished only upon a requisition or order blank, properly filled out, bearing the date and number, and explicitly stating what is ordered, of whom and on what account, the same to be signed by the official authorizing or giving the order, a duplicate of which should be kept upon a stub securely bound in a suitable book, printed for the purpose. For blank forms recommended

to carry out the provisions herein made, see forms marked A, B and C: Form A for selectmen, form B for overseer, form C for school directors.

Second—That the selectmen, overseer of the poor and school directors should see that by the close of the first week of each month, detailed bills for the preceding month are received by them for all the material ordered and an explicit statement obtained of all work done on account of the town; said bills and statements to be checked off and approved at the next meeting of the board, or as soon thereafter as practicable.

Third—That the overseer of the poor should keep the bills and accounts of all materials, etc., used at the town farm separate and distinct from what is distributed outside. He should by the fifth of each month submit to the selectmen a statement of all accounts, with the detailed bills, not previously given to them, the same to be first checked off by him and if found correct to be so marked over his signature and properly classified in his statement to them, as provided for above.

Fourth—That the clerk of the Selectmen should procure a suitable skeleton ledger, lined and printed in accordance with the form herewith marked D. The appropriations made should be entered in the respective columns, and also all orders given by them, properly classified in the columns indicated each month.

Fifth—That the School Directors should procure a suitable skeleton ledger, lined and printed in accordance with the form herewith marked E. The appropriations should be entered in their respective columns, and all orders given by them, properly classified, in the columns indicated each month.

Sixth—That the annual report should embody a detailed classification of accounts similar to what is kept in the respective ledgers of the Selectmen and School Directors, and summaries or recapitulations of each set of accounts

should be made therein, showing the aggregate of current expenses and all special construction accounts.

Seventh—That the Selectmen, Overseer of the Poor and School Directors should prepare a complete and accurate statement of all unsettled liabilities incurred by them during their administration, and that the same be published in the annual report, and all liabilities not given therein, which are incurred up to the expiration of their office, should be included in a carefully prepared statement by each, to be placed in the hands of the new boards, elected at the close of their term of office.

Eighth—That all receipted bills, with the requisitions accompanying the same, properly classified and arranged, also all receipts, statements, stubs of requisition books, and all other account books used by the Selectmen, Overseer of the Poor and School Directors should be handed over by them to the Town Clerk at the expiration of the term of office to which they were elected, and not later than the day before the annual meeting, the Town Clerk acting as custodian of the same, who should see that they are conveniently arranged for future reference. Ledgers not completed should be handed over to the newly elected boards. The Town Clerk should destroy all bills, receipts, statements and other books and accounts, excepting ledgers, after they have been preserved for a period of six years.

Ninth—The committee respectfully suggest that this report be published in the next annual town report, giving in outline the classification of accounts as shown in forms D and L. Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. P. HARRIS,
HENRY F. FIELD,
J. E. CREED.

Overseer's Report.



To the Tax-payers of the Town of Rutland :

The total amount of orders drawn by the selectmen on account of the overseer of the poor during the twelve months ending February 1st, 1889, has been \$6,819.92.

Of this amount about \$3,443.53 was for care of the outside poor (consisting of over 300 different persons) and the balance, \$3,108.24, was for the expenses of the poor farm, overseer's salary, etc.

I have collected from different sources, for the produce of the town farm, pasturage, collected from other towns and individuals, etc., \$343.15, and paid that sum into the town treasury ; which sum, being deducted from the amount of orders drawn, leaves \$6,476.77 as the net expenses of the poor for the twelve months ending February 1st, 1889. There is also due from other towns and individuals \$219.99, which, when paid, will still further reduce the expenses.

The net expenses during the twelve months ending February 1st, 1888, as shown by the last town report, were \$8,250.52. So that the expenses are \$1,773.75 less this year than last, although, on account of lack of employment and the increase of population, the calls upon me for help have been fully as many as last year. A good many applications for help have come from persons discharged from the House of Correction, who, when released, have "located" in Rutland. Most of this class have no legal residence in *any* town, and when hard times come on, have been cast upon

this town. There are also many persons who have come to Rutland under hope of getting work, but have not succeeded, and I have had to help them.

Rutland has no large charitable institutions such as are in many places of its size. If we had such charitable institutions as are in Burlington, I think the expense of taking care of the poor would be several thousand less a year than it is now.

I have tried to discriminate in helping the different families, and have meant to help only those whom I thought were really needy and deserving. I have refused to help many shiftless persons who were able and could get work but were too *lazy*. And I have always refused to help those who I thought were selling liquor, believing that if they could afford to go into the liquor business under the present law the town could not afford to help them.

The several lists and tables show the names and inmates of the poor house, those discharged, outside poor helped, burials, etc.

In the list of insane paupers taken to Brattleboro, which appears in last year's report, the name of L. W. Field was erroneously put in, as having been taken at the expense of the town. This is not so. All expenses of taking him to Brattleboro, and care for him while there, were paid by his guardian out of his estate.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES BEATTIE.

Rutland, February 15th, 1889.

NAMES AND AGES OF INMATES OF THE POOR- HOUSE, FEBRUARY, 1889.

NAME.	AGE.	NAME.	AGE.
Edward O'Brien.....	71	Lydia Osborn.....	28
Frank Daunslow.....	24	Willie Osborn.....	6
Myron Winslow.....	85	Harry Osborn.....	2
Francis Portwine.....	77	Annie E. Hulett.....	43
Edward Lewis.....	66	Affa J. Hulett.....	14
Truman Hagar.....	78	Ann Gordon.....	58
Patrick Hickey.....	33	Mrs. Charles E. Enslow	24
Thomas Crowley.....	78	Franke Enslow.....	9
Jerry Lyons.....	51	Hattie Enslow.....	3
John Sullivan.....	64	Mrs. John J. Rice. . .	20
E. M. Cook.....	83	Freddie C. Rice.....	2
James Guindon.....	49	Mrs. John Corbet.....	62
Samuel Bishop.....	51	Mrs. Bauldary... ..	74
Walter Osborn.....	34	Mrs. Michael Daughan.	82
Margaret Carmody.....	71	George Townsend.....	3

NAMES OF THOSE DISCHARGED FROM THE POOR HOUSE DURING THE PAST YEAR TO FEBRUARY 1, 1889.

Emily LaBonty, Mary LaBonty, Charles Hercht, Clarence LaGoss, W. H. Dickinson, Willie Dickinson, Charles H. Brown, Joseph Peters, Mrs. Dennow, Tennie Partlow, Mrs. Partlow, Mary Daugherty, Mrs. Merow, Rosa Jacobs.

Number of insane paupers taken to Brattleboro during, the past year, 3—males.

BURIALS BY THE TOWN PRIOR TO FEBRUARY 1, 1889.

Edward Daggett, Alman Higgins' child, Mary Fernier, John Corbet, Patrick Haley, Nathaniel Sanderson, Mrs. Charles Keeler, William Devers, Edward Shoto, Charles Enslow's child, C. W. Haskins' child, Alice M. Osborn, Mary Foster, John Taylor, Charles Fitzgerald's child.

MONEY RECEIVED BY JAMES BEATTIE TO FEB-
RUARY 1, 1889. FROM

John Wyman, for rent of Stafford place.....	\$ 4 25
John Engrem, for two calves.....	1 50
James E. Creed, for cabbage and celery	4 50
Henry Stone, for cabbage.	90
Thomas Cantey, “	2 40
John Cantey, “	1 20
Cash Market, “	72
W. D. Hulett, “	1 56
Patrick Murphy, 7 months board.....	42 00
Town of Pittsford, for care of Mr. Poro.....	17 07
Town of Brandon, for care of Eutlibe Hebar,.....	26 50
A lady, for care of a family in town.....	32 00
For boarding Affa J. Hulett... ..	150 00
Care of John Rice, insane.....	29 75
Patrick Murphy, paid on board.....	18 80
M. D. Powell, for care of Mrs. Shelvy.....	10 00
	\$343 15

Received credit on bill for town farm, from

M. Stearns, for celery.....	\$13 80
W. D. Hulett, credit for celery.....	2 00

The following are claims due the town of Rutland :

Town of Brandon, Dr. to town of Rutland for care of Tinnie Partlow.....	\$81 64
Town of Benson, Dr. to town of Rutland for care of Mrs. Dennow.....	14 00
Town of Poultney, Dr. to town of Rutland, for care of Mr. N. Haskins to Feb. 1, 1889.....	100 75
C. F. Willis, Dr. for pasturing and cabbage.....	\$13 20
Less, for work on town farm,.....	3 00 10 20
George Patrick, Dr. for cabbage.....	1 20

Henry Purior, Dr., pasturing.....	\$4 50
Nelson Santware, cabbage.....	\$ 1 50
“ “ pasturing.....	12 50
	\$13 50
“ “ Less 8 days work, \$1 50, 12 00	1 50
Henry Stafford, rent of Stafford place....	4 00
Patrick Murphy, due on board.....	2 20
	\$219 99

NAMES OF PERSONS AND FAMILIES AND NUMBER IN EACH FAMILY WHO HAVE RECEIVED HELP OUTSIDE THE TOWN FARM SINCE FEBRUARY 1st, 1888, AND AMOUNT OF HELP FURNISHED.

Sam Abar, 7.....	\$100 50
Jennie Arthur, 6.....	21 50
Mary J. Abraham, 1.....	4 00
Susan Barker, 1.....	39 85
Clarence Bradshaw, 1.....	2 95
Mrs. J. Brainard, 5.....	53 95
Mrs. Bauldary, 1.....	48 00
C. Henry Brown (tramp), 1.....	2 90
Levi Calka, 1.....	17 25
Mrs. James Carabine, 4.....	108 53
Peter Coren, 5.....	11 00
John Corbett, 2.....	55 25
Libbie Connors, 3.....	27 15
Mary Connell, 6.....	15 00
William Dolan, 1.....	10 00
Mrs. Martin Daughan, 1.....	18 50
Jasper Dunn, 4.....	6 00
Charles Dean, 3.....	22 20
Ellen Donivan, 2.....	61 65

Mrs. C. B. Dumont, 6	\$11 85
Joseph Dubee, 5	5 00
James Duffy, 2	2 00
Mary Daugherty, 1	72
W. H. Dickenson, 4	21 53
Edward Daggett, 1	10 00
Mrs. William Devers, 10	91 25
Edward Eaton, 2	45 00
Bridget Elmore, 4	74 25
A. M. Ellison, 2	31 00
Charles Enslow, 4	12 81
Frank Foster, 1	8 00
Mary Foley, 1	8 00
Mary Fournier, 1	8 44
Mike Flannery, 1	2 00
W. W. Ferrill, 6	16 22
Chas. T. Fitzgerald, 5	8 50
Wm. P. Foster, 5	5 00
Mary Foster, 1	59 00
Lizzie Guertin, 1	6 00
Frank Gilman, 6	30 00
Mitchell Gilman, 3	66 00
James Guinden, 1	8 03
John Gallagher (tramp), 1	75
Patrick Haley, 1	25 00
Chauncey Higgins, 5	35 55
Mrs. C. W. Haskins, 3	25 00
Mrs. L. N. Hart, 6	104 88
Mrs. Michael Hance, 2	79 39
Mrs. N Hart, 4	94 10
Chas. Hercht, 1	3 50
George Heatle (tramp), 1	1 00
N. Haskins, 1	61 75
R. C. Holden, 2	7 50
——— Haher (tramp), 1	4 02
Addie Higgins (sick), 1	5 00

Christopher Harrison, 2.....	18 50
Almond Higgins, 1.....	6 00
Merritt Jewell, 2.....	10 00
Rosa Jacobs, 1.....	18 67
Wm. Jeromes, 3.....	9 50
Mrs. Isaac Johnson, 2.....	30 52
Mrs. Bryan Judge, 5.....	98 20
Fred Jackson.....	5 00
Mrs. Charles Keeler, 1.....	16 25
Katie Kelley, 4.....	22 50
Henry Kemp (tramp), 1.....	5 00
Mrs. Labonty (sick), 2.....	138 81
Martha Laskey, 2.....	9 50
John Lamphere, 1.....	28 00
Joseph Lique, 4.....	6 50
Chas. LaGosse, 1.....	5 74
Lucy LaRock, 2.....	22 97
Mrs. Henry Moran, 6.....	79 12
Mary Merritt, 3.....	15 50
Mary Moriarty, 1.....	20 00
Mrs. John Massy, (crippled boy), 4.....	106 05
Elijah Mead, 2.....	14 60
John O'Donnell, (sick) 2.....	113 00
Ellen O'Laughlin, 3.....	37 50
Mrs. Orcutt, 5.....	21 50
H. R. Perkins, 3.....	41 50
Francis Portwine, 1.....	17 00
J. A. Parker, 2.....	19 50
Tinnie Partlow, 1.....	81 64
John Palmer, 4.....	23 15
Napoleon Porter, 6.....	16 00
Joseph Peters, 1.....	1 50
Lucinda Quow, 1.....	40 50
Mrs. John Reed, 1.....	79 80
Mary Riley, 1.....	57 50
John J. Rice, 3.....	4 50

Michael Ryan, 6.....	21 00
Fremont Styles, 4.....	34 60
Mrs. Shelvey, 3.....	10 00
Shannon children, 3.....	50 25
Nathan Sanderson, 1.....	18 50
Tim Sullivan, (tramp), 1.....	3 61
Mrs. Ellis Smith, 4.....	6 50
Joseph Shortsleeve, 7....	27 50
Hattie Skiffington, 2.....	7 50
Mrs. Tim Sammon, 1.....	10 50
Edward Shoto, 2.....	76 20
Mary Smith, 1.....	7 75
Lotina Thompson, 1.....	3 15
Charles Todd, 2.....	28 70
Mrs. Joseph Thebault, 4.....	6 60
John Taylor, 1.....	28 50
Mrs. James Taylor, 1.....	25 00
William Valiquette, 1.....	6 25
George Winne, 6... ..	29 90
Lizzie Walsh, 2.....	8 30
Michael Waters, 5.....	2 50
James R. Willard, 2.. ..	8 50
Mrs. George Wise, 1.....	59 50
Mrs. Cato Williams, 1.....	44 00
Charles Weatherly, 1.....	33 30
William Wilson, 4.....	8 68
Strangers and tramps.....	32 00
	\$3443 53

INVENTORY OF TOWN PROPERTY.

Town Hall property and contents, (interest of town in building and land as appraised by commissioners)	\$23,000 00
Three stoves and pipe.....	30 00
Three tables.....	8 00
Two hundred chairs at 10c each.....	20 00
Four hundred chairs.....	72 00
Two hundred chairs at 33c each.....	66 00
Thirty-six settees at \$2.00 each.....	72 00
	\$23,268 00

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE.

One desk.....	12 00
One table.....	5 00
One table.....	3 00
One cupboard.....	5 00
One stove and pipe.....	15 00
One clock.....	2 00
One hat rack.....	50
Three sets inventory boxes.....	8 00
One wrought iron safe.....	15 00
Thirty yards matting.....	15 00
	\$80 50

TOWN FARM.

Town farm and buildings as paid out by orders on general accounts.....	\$10,927 48
Stafford house and lot.....	200 00
One cultivator.....	7 00
One plow.....	6 00
One express wagon.....	60 00
Two seated sleigh.....	40 00
Two blankets.....	6 00
One robe.....	4 50
One lap robe.....	2 00

One work harness.....	\$15 00
One driving harness.....	12 00
One hitch rope.....	25
Two snow showels.....	50
Two bushel baskets.....	25
One whiffletree	1 25
One wood saw.....	50
One hundred feet rubber hose.....	6 00
Two hay rakes.....	50
Two corn cutters.....	40
Three hoes.....	1 00
Three potato diggers.....	1 00
One pick axe.....	75
One scythe and snath.....	1 00
Two long handle shovels.....	1 00
One wirestretcher.....	50
One saw vise.....	75
One scoop shovel.....	90
One lumber wagon.....	50 00
One lot of stove wood.....	3 00
Two tons horse hay.....	20 00
Three tons stock hay.....	24 00
Three hay forks.....	1 75
One wheelbarrow.....	1 00
Two road machines.....	45 00
Three shoats.....	30 00
One horse.....	150 00
Four cows.....	120 00
Fifty-six hens.....	22 40
	\$11,763 68

CONTENTS OF HOUSE.

One kitchen range.....	\$95 00
One churn.....	9 00
Forty-three gallons kerosene oil.....	4 30
Three kerosene oil barrels.....	2 65

Eight wash tubs.....	\$4 75
Two extension tables.....	13 00
Two short tables.....	5 00
Six iron double bedsteads.....	69 00
Twenty-two iron single bedsteads.....	209 00
Twenty-two single mattresses.....	66 00
Six double mattresses.....	22 50
Forty-one pillows.....	51 25
Thirty-two comfortables..	64 00
Sixty-three sheets.....	31 50
Sixty-nine pillow slips.....	17 25
Eleven pairs wool blankets.....	20 25
Twenty-four crash towels.....	2 40
Ninety-two chairs.....	36 80
Eighteen stands.....	22 50
One bread pan.....	50
One tea pot.....	75
One coffee pot.....	75
Two dinner pots.....	3 00
Twenty-four milk pans.....	2 40
Three dozen knives and forks.....	3 00
Twenty-four tea and table spoons.....	1 20
One hundred and fifty pieces of crockery.....	15 00
One clock.....	4 00
One Howe scale.....	6 00
Two stone jars.....	1 20
Two coal hods.....	50
One wash boiler.....	2 00
One oil can.....	1 00
Nine wooden pails.....	90
One Stewart stove and pipe.....	40 00
Six wash boards.....	1 50
One clothes basket.....	75
Six wash basins.....	60
Three mops.....	30
Six brooms.....	1 80

Five pork barrels.....	5 00
Six bracket lamps.....	3 00
Twelve hand lamps.....	3 00
One lot tin ware.....	2 00
Two oil table cloths.....	1 00
Two lanterns.....	1 00
Thirty-seven yards carpets.....	18 50
Eighteen chambers.....	9 00
	\$875 80

PRODUCE.

Ten pounds dried apples.....	\$1 20
Twenty pounds coffee.....	5 00
Fifteen pounds tea.....	6 00
One hundred pounds granulated sugar.....	7 75
Thirty pounds lard.....	2 70
Twenty pounds butter.....	5 00
Three bushels onions.....	1 50
Five gallons syrup.....	2 50
Fifty pounds salt.....	75
Ten pounds oat meal.....	60
Twenty-five pounds corn meal.....	50
One gross matches.....	50
Two bushels apples.....	80
Fifty bars soap.....	1 50
One barrel flour.....	7 25
Two hundred bushels potatoes.....	60 00
Sixteen gallons vinegar.....	2 20
One hundred and twenty-seven papers tobacco	8 89
Nine plugs tobacco.....	60
Five hundred heads cabbage.....	25 00
Fourteen tons coal.....	81 20
Seven tons stove coal.....	46 55
	\$267 99

In conclusion we feel called upon to make the following remarks:

We found the property at the town farm cared for in a good husbandman like manner, every article in its proper place; and when entering the house we found everything neat, clean and tidy; and in the person of Mrs. Beattie a hard working woman, but a modern and model housekeeper.

We found the inmates, 29 in number, generally healthy, cleanly dressed and warmly clothed, and from all appearances very well cared for in their feeble condition and declining years. We sincerely hope the worthy poor may always be as well cared for.

All of which is respectfully submitted this 22d day of February, 1889.

J. E. CREED, Selectman.

GEO. C. RUSSELL, Lister.

RICHARD RYAN, Auditor.

Report of Town Hall

FOR YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1889.

CR.

Cash on hand March 1, 1888 and rent of Hall for
ensuing year..... \$463 15

DR.

Cash paid janitor, gas bills, furnishings.. \$341 15
Cash remaining in my hands..... 122 00
\$463 15

BILLS DUE TOWN FROM FOLLOWING FOR USE OF HALL.

Mar. 1, 1888	E. B. Moore.....	\$10 00
Nov. 1,	Democratic Town Com...	19 50
	Republican Town Com...	3 00
	John D. Spellman... ..	6 00
	Graded School dist.....	5 00
	G. A. R.... ..	5 00
	Rutland Cornet Band....	5 00
		<u>\$53 50</u>
		\$516 65

All of which is respectfully submitted,

J. E. CREED.

Town Treasurer's Report.

RECEIPTS.

1888.

March 7. IN GENERAL ACCOUNT FROM :

Balance, see Report, 1888.....	\$4,638 25
Town of Danby, in full of claim.....	59 39
Village of Rutland, use of town hall.....	10 00
H. L. Verder, house on Goldsmith property..	305 00
Jas. Russell, agt., liquor sales.....	3,489 00
Jas. Beattie, acct. of poor.....	\$251 85
O. D. Young, acct. of poor.....	75 00
J. Murphy, board at poor farm...	18 80
	345 65
River St. bridge acct., transferred.....	7,418 94
Dog fund of 1888, unexpended balance.....	320 70
Mann, justice, fines and costs....	147 39
Moore, " " "	8 51
Morgan, " " "	4 52
Bailey, " " "	59 85
	220 27
Taxpayers, town tax.....	25,299 20

A. T. Woodward, collector :

Town tax, '85.....	12 00
State " "	4 00
Town " '86.....	60 25

76 25

W. A. Clark, collector :

Town tax, '87.....	454 56
State " "	155 47
River St. bridge, '87.....	72 12
	\$682 15
Town tax, '88....	319 32

1,001 47

IN HIGHWAY ACCOUNT FROM :

Balance, see Report, 1888.....	89 88
Taxpayers.....	3,139 04
A. T. Woodward, collector, tax '85,	5 00
" " " '86,	21 00
W. A. Clark, " " '87,	93 75
" " " '88,	47 28
	167 03

IN MEMORIAL HALL ACCOUNT FROM :

Balance, see Report, 1888.....	156 75
Taxpayers.....	7,229 01
A. T. Woodward, collector, tax '86,	20 15
W. A. Clark, " " '87,	129 87
" " " '88,	91 41
	241 43

IN RIVER STREET BRIDGE ACCOUNT FROM :

Balance, see Report, 1888.....	7,361 16
W. A. Clark, collector, tax '87.....	57 78

IN FREE LIBRARY ACCOUNT FROM :

Balance, see Report, 1888.....	22 27
Taxpayers.....	1,446 62
W. A. Clark, collector, tax '87....	26 00
" " " '88....	18 29
	44 29

IN TOWN SYSTEM SCHOOL ACCOUNT FROM :

Balance, see Report, 1888.....	720 43	
Taxpayers.....	4,846 42	
Public school fund... ..	487 98	
W. A. Clark, collector, tax '87....	132 20	
" " " '88....	40 40	
		172 60

IN SCHOOL FUND ACCOUNT FROM :

Balance, see Report, 1888.....	782 79	
Interest on U. S. surplus fund.....	1,050 00	
Rent of school lot, P. Keenan, and interest to Jan. 1, '88.....	26 00	
Rent of school lot, L. F. Goodrich, and interest to Feb. 1, '88....	54 25	
Rent of school lot, S. W. Mead, and interest to April 1, '88.....	302 26	
Rent of school lot, C. E. Baker, . and interest to Nov. 1, '88.....	10 00	
Rent of school lot, H. E. Green, to Jan. 1, '89.....	10 00	
		402 51
A. T. Woodward, collector, tax '85.....	4 00	

IN DOG FUND ACCOUNT FROM :

Balance, see Report, 1888.....	11 00	
Town clerk, for licenses.....	404 70	
		\$72,021 81

DISBURSEMENTS

IN GENERAL ACCOUNT

Selectmen's orders, general acc't...	\$31,553 43	
poor acc't...	6,445 51	
		<u>\$37,998 94</u>
Interest on \$40,000 $4\frac{1}{2}$ per ct bonds	1,800 00	
20,000 4 " " .	800 00	
U. S. surplus fund.....	1,050 00	
Refunding orders, Sept. 1	812 50	
Selectmen's orders.....	425 88	
		<u>4,888 38</u>
Orders, Mann, Justice.....	127 34	
Moore, "	28 76	
Morgan, "	4 51	
Bailey, "	75 44	
		<u>236 05</u>

IN HIGHWAY ACCOUNT.

Selectmen's orders... ..	\$ 3,321 42	
Interest on same.....	64 98	
		<u>3,386 40</u>

IN MEMORIAL HALL ACCOUNT.

Selectmen's orders... ..	\$ 7,407 71	
Interest on same.....	101 42	
		<u>7,509 13</u>

IN RIVER STREET BRIDGE ACCOUNT.

Transferred to general account....	7,418 94
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IN FREE LIBRARY ACCOUNT.

Selectmen's orders... ..	1,513 81
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IN TOWN SYSTEM SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Directors' orders	\$ 6,071 27	
Interest on same.....	42 81	
	<u> </u>	6,114 08

IN SCHOOL FUND ACCOUNT.

Selectmen's orders as follows :

To the graded district....	\$1,343 37	
To town system of schools	487 98	
Dis. No. 5, Clarendon.....	1 32	
3, Mendon	1 04	
10, Proctor.....	6 46	
	<u> </u>	1,840 17

TO DOG FUND ACCOUNT.

Selectmen's orders, 1887.....	\$ 11 00	
“ “ 1888	84 00	
	<u> </u>	95 00
Unexpended balance transferred to general account.....		320 70
Balance in hands of the treasurer to credit of :		
General account.....	60 75	
Highway account.....	9 55	
Memorial Halls account.....	118 06	
Town System School account.....	113 35	
School Fund account.....	399 13	
	<u> </u>	700 84
		<u><u>\$72,021 81</u></u>

The balance above stated is represented by orders and cash in the Treasurer's hands, viz :

General account orders.....	\$ 101 28	
Cash.....	599 56	
	<u> </u>	\$ 700 84

SUMMARY.

	Received.	Disbursed.
In General account.....	\$43,184 12	\$ 43,123 37
In Highway account.....	3,395 95	3,386 40
In Memorial Hall account.....	7,627 19	7,509 13
In River St. bridge account....	7,418 94	7,418 94
In Free Library account.....	1,513 18	1,513 18
In Town System school account.	6,227 43	6,114 08
In School Fund account.....	2,239 30	1,840 17
In Dog Fund account.....	415 70	415 70
Balance on hand.....		700 84
	\$72,021 81	\$72,021 81

STATEMENT OF 1888 TAXES.

Town, 35 per cent....	\$28,039 91	
Memorial Hall, 10 per cent.....	8,012 19	
Highway, 15 per cent.....	3,531 15	
Library, 2 per cent.....	1,603 35	
Town School.....	5,437 21	
Payments.....		\$41,960 29
Discount, 4 per cent.		1,766 01
Treasurer fees, 1 per cent.....		423 84
Abatements.....		148 29
Warrants issued to collector.....		2,325 38
	\$46,623 81	\$46,623 81

DUE FROM TAX COLLECTORS.

A T. Woodward,

Tax 1885, Town.....	\$82 20	
State.....	55 44	
Highway.....	36 18	
State School...	55 27	
		\$229 09

Tax 1886, Town.....	\$243 43	
Memorial Hall.	74 09	
Highway.....	38 12	
		\$355 64

\$584 73

W. A. Clark,

Tax 1887, Town.....	\$267 06	
Memorial Hall.	79 15	
Bridge.....	79 17	
Highway.....	40 26	
Library.....	15 82	
Town School..	42 50	
State.....	117 21	
		\$641 17

Tax 1888, Town.....	\$1,005 89	
Memorial Hall.	287 31	
Highway.....	167 39	
Library.....	57 51	
Town School..	277 35	
		\$1,795 45

2,436 62

\$3,021 35

DUE THE SCHOOL FUND.

Tax of 1885.....	\$ 55 27
Interest on U. S. surplus fund...	1,050 00

FROM LESSEES OF LOTS.

A. B. Perkins, to Jan 1, 1889.....	\$10 00
H. E. Green, " "	00 00
P. Keenan " "	25 00
L. F. Goodrich, to Feb. 1, "	12 00
A. B. Reynolds, to Apr. 1, "	80 00
S. W. Mead, " "	40 00
H. G. Sheldon, to Sept. 1, "	35 00 ^s
John Hanley 3d, " "	30 00
C. E. Baker, to Nov. 1 "	10 00
	1,347 27

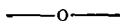
DUE TOWN SYSTEM OF SCHOOLS.

Tax 1887.....	\$42 50
" 1888.....	277 35
	\$319 85

CHAS. CLARK, Town Treasurer.

Rutland, Vt., Feb. 18, 1889.

TOWN AGENT'S REPORT.



The case of Rutland vs. Pierpoint, referred to in last report, has been decided by the Supreme Court in favor of the town and remanded with a decree for orator according to the prayer of the bill.

The other litigation under the charge of Edward Dana, Esq., has progressed as follows :

A. T. Woodward vs. Rutland.—New declaration filed, as permitted by County Court, and another demurrer entered by the town which was sustained by the Supreme court at the January term. Case still on the docket, but all legal points decided in favor of the town.

Redfield Proctor et al., and Joseph Cummings and wife, vs. Rutland.—*In re* Harrison Street, to be heard by Commissioners February 20th instant.

A. A. Greeno et al. vs. Rutland and Pittsford.—*In re* Cheney Hill road. Court refused to confirm the report of Commissioners, but holds it *in terrorem* until road is completed, which town agrees to build.

Rutland vs. L. F. Goodrich, for rent of school lot. Execution satisfied.

Rutland vs. Danby, for costs of removal of paupers. Execution satisfied.

The only new suit during the year was *M. R. Brown et al. vs. Rutland*, petition to extend Lincoln avenue to North street, which has been agreed to be discontinued.

HENRY F. FIELD, Town Agent.

Rutland, Vt., February 18, 1889.

REPORT OF TOWN LIQUOR AGENT.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 1889.

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DR.

To cash for liquors.....	\$4,486 55	
“ “ “ casks, etc.....	74 20	
“ liquors on hand Feb. 1, 1889....	661 09	
		\$5,221 84

CR.

By liquors on hand Feb. 1, 1888,...	\$610 67	
“ “ of selectmen.....	3,274 99	
“ paid freight account, etc.....	63 59	
“ agent's salary one year.....	600 00	
“ balance profit.....	672 59	
		\$5,221 84

DR.

To cash for liquors.....	\$4,486 55	
“ “ “ casks, etc.....	47 20	
		\$4,560 75

CR.

By paid to town treasurer.....	\$3,489 00	
“ “ freight, etc.....	63 59	
“ “ salary one year... ..	600 00	
“ balanced due town ag't Feb. 1, 1889.	153 26	
“ “ “ treas. “ “	254 90	
		\$4,560 75

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

CR.

By cash for liquors, casks, etc.....	\$4,560 75	
“ liquors on hand Feb. 1, 1888, per inventory.....	661 09	
	<u>—————</u>	\$5,221 84

DR.

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“ liquors of selectmen.....	3,274 99	
“ freight account, etc.....	63 59	
“ agent’s salary... ..	600 00	
	<u>—————</u>	\$4,549 25
Balance profit.		<u>—————</u> \$672 59

JAMES RUSSELL,

Town Agent.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

To the Taxpayers of the Town of Rutland :

We, the undersigned, auditors elected at your last annual meeting for the ensuing year, would say : that we have carefully examined the accounts of your selectmen and school directors, also the books and vouchers of your treasurer, and we find them correct.

The financial condition of the town we find as follows :

LIABILITIES.

Eight 4½ per cent. bonds, \$5,000 each, reg....	
5-20, due 1901..	\$40,000 00
Ten 4 per cent. bonds, \$1,000 each, reg. 5-20,	
due 1902.....	10,000 00
Ten 4 per cent. bonds, \$1000 each, reg. 5-20,	
due 1903.....	10,000 00
United States surplus fund, (borrowed).....	17,500 00
Highway orders outstanding.....	4,133 27
General orders outstanding.....	11,075 81
Memorial Hall orders outstanding.....	13,934 25
Town Sys'm Schools ord's outst'ng.....	238 14
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RESOURCES.

Due from Collector tax bill, 1885.	\$229 09	
“ “ “ 1886.	355 64	
“ “ “ 1887.	641 17	
“ “ “ 1888.	1,795 45	
Due from W. Rutland (not included in Mem. Hall account)..	408 05	
Due from Proctor (not included in Mem. Hall account.).....	177 90	
Cash in hands of treasures.....	700 84	
		\$4,308 14
Net liabilities.....	\$102,575 95	
Net liabilities, 1888.....	91,509 37	
Increase of debt during the year.....	\$11,066 58	

The following is a list of orders unpaid :

HIGHWAY ORDERS.

No.	Name.	Amount.	
29	Rutland Savings Bank.....	\$2,500 00	:
45	C. E. Baker.....	3 20	.
13	J. J. Barrett.....	560 15	.
15	J. E. Creed.....	424 38	"
16	J. J. Barrett.....	230 40	✓
17	C. F. Willis.....	405 30	.
26	O. G. Baker.....	2 50	"
29	White Lumber Co.....	7 34	✓
			\$4,133 27

SCHOOL FUND.

District 18, Pittsford.....	2 62
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TOWN SYSTEM OF SCHOOLS.

176	J. P. Crowley.....	50 00	✓
183	S. P. Stockwell.....	5 44	✓
188	Mansfield & Stimson.....	20 00	✓

189	M. L. Thomas.....	\$27 75 ✓	
190	J. E. Robinson.....	36 25 ✓	
191	Harris Mfg. Co.....	6 00 ✓	
192	Herald & Globe.....	2 25 ✓	
193	M. J. Francisco..	35 69 ✓	
194	Dunn & Cramton	13 50	
195	“ “	20 80 ✓	
196	A. C. Bates & Son.....	4 01 ✓	
197	Tuttle Co.....	9 10 ✓	
198	C. E. Sargent.....	7 35 ✓	
			\$238 14

GENERAL ORDERS.

96	G. H. Verder.....	\$110 00.	
102	J. A. Cheney.....	250 00.	
103	E. E. Thomas.....	350 00.	
104	W. W. Young.....	270 42.	
105	C. F. Willis.....	237 87.	
106	Davis, Clark & Co.....	297 53.	
110	Hilton Bridge Co.....	1,560 00 ✓	
111	“ “ “	3,500 00.	
115	Vt. Marble Co.....	150 64 ✓	
116	Ingerson & Nash.....	1,500 00 ✓	
117	W. W. Young.....	104 56 ✓	
119	J. J. Barrett.....	466 64 ✓	
120	Columbia Distilling Co.....	104 81 ✓	
123	Davis, Clark & Co.....	247 95.	
124	Ingerson & Nash.....	1,000 00 ✓	
125	J. E. Creed.....	350 00	
129	P. Gardner.....	90 ✓	
136	E. H. Randall.....	20 00 ✓	
142	J. Prout.....	32 15 ✓	
144	G. W. Ross.....	14 82 ✓	
145	F. Chaffee & Son.....	101 28 ✓	
146	L. G. Kingsley.....	6 90 ✓	
143	J. Russell (poor acct.).....	28 10 ✓	

93	W. D. Hulett (poor acct.).....	\$100 24	
102	J. Beattie "	228 75	
103	J. Russell, agt, (poor acct.)...	42 25	
			\$11,075 81

MEMORIAL HALL.

95	Smith Iron Co.....	1,420 40	
96	Dunn & Cramton.....	878 65	
97	F. Chaffee & Son.....	1,074 06	
113	Hicks & Son.....	550 00	
114	Harris Mfg. Co.....	334 86	
116	E. C. Duffy.....	66 65	
120	True Blue Marble Co.....	755 88	
121	Bates & Son.....	387 43	
122	E. Dana, clerk	1493 49	
132	J. J. Barrett.....	300 00	
133	B. McGarrity.....	66 50	
134	J. J. Barrett.....	400 00	
136	Burdett & Williams.....	33 25	
139	D. McIntosh.....	964 84	
141	J. J. Barrett.....	975 00	
142	Vermont Marble Co.....	724 10	
144	E. Dana, clerk.....	517 70	
158	W. O. Morck.....	94 00	
162	I. F. Seward.....	200 00	
164	Dunn & Cramton.....	412 70	
165	E. Dana, clerk.....	391 62	
166	E. A. Valiquette.....	188 97	
168	Harris Mfg. Co.....	249 37	
170	W. C. Landon.....	268 95	
173	Redding, Baird & Co ...	556 42	
174	L. G. Kingsley.....	595 34	
176	J. D. Taylor.....	2 25	
177	G. F. Brown.....	2 25	
180	White Lumber Co.....	29 57	
			\$13,934 25

It will be necessary to raise by tax or otherwise to provide for the payment of outstanding orders, interest and current expenses as below :

Outstanding orders.....	\$29,384 09
Interest on U. S. surplus fund.....	1,050 00
“ bonded debt.....	2,600 00
“ orders (estimated).....	1,350 00
Current expenses(estimated).....	12,000 00
	\$46,384 09

It will require a tax of nearly sixty cents on the dollar to pay present indebtedness (except bonds), current expenses and interest.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN N. WOODFIN,	}	Auditors.
J. R. HOADLEY,		
RICHARD RYAN,		

Rutland, Feb. 22, 1889.

RETURN OF CHAS. B. MANN, Justice of the Peace, for the year ending November 30, A. D. 1888. Criminal Causes in which the town of Rutland is interested.—*Continued.*

DATE OF PROSECUTION.	RESPONDENT.	OFFENSE.	FINE.	COSTS.	DISPOSITION.
Oct. 18, 1888....	Patrick McDevitt.....	"	3 00	5 51	"
" 18, 1888....	John Dunbar.....	"	1 00	4 51	"
Nov. 10, 1888....	Mary Dougherty.....	"	20 00	5 51	Committed.
Oct. 18, 1888....	George Perkins.....	"	1 00	4 51	Paid.

I, Chas. B. Mann, Justice of the Peace within and for the County of Rutland, do hereby certify that the above is a correct abstract of all the criminal cases tried before me during the year ending November 30, A. D. 1888, in which the town of Rutland is interested, and also the disposition thereof.

CHAS. B. MANN, Justice of the Peace.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

— OF THE —

TOWN SYSTEM OF SCHOOLS.

We are unable to give so complete a report of the condition of the schools under our care as we would wish, owing to the fact that the school year is not at an end at the time our report goes to press. The registers being incomplete, we, consequently, compile statistics in approximation only to accuracy.

There are about 650 persons of the school age (from five to eighteen years) in the territory covered by our system. Of this number 50 are in parochial schools. The average enrollment for the year shows 412 scholars. The attendance has not been so good as it ought to have been, with the mild winter and the comparatively small amount of sickness we have noted. There have been four deaths among those of the school age. The present school year is 36 weeks in length.

The following table shows the schools, teachers with their salaries, and number of pupils enrolled in each :

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	SALARY per week.	AVERAGE NO. OF PUPILS ENROLLED.
Chaffee District	{ Miss Meldon,	\$10	28
	{ Miss Crowley,	8	55
Dyer District	Miss Kingsley,	7	25
North Street Dist.	{ Miss Fitzgerald,	10	27
	{ Miss Callahan,	7	41
Mill Village Dist.	Miss Royce,	7	20
Post District	Miss Wilkinson,	6	14
Pinney District	Miss Kingsley,	6	14
Lester District	Miss Phalen,	7	16
Hayti District	Miss Sawyer,	6	10
Center Rutland	{ Miss Meldon,	12	34
	{ Miss Darby,	10	38
	{ Miss Lyon,	8	35
	{ Miss McDonald,	7	44
Billings District	Miss Crowley,	6	11
Total			412

Our teachers have, in general, done satisfactory work. Modern methods of teaching have been used in many of our schools, but in some, the great number of classes interferes seriously with any pronounced efforts in that direction. Examinations are held regularly as far as practicable. Few cases of truancy and other bad conduct have been reported; and, on the whole, the discipline of the schools has been excellent.

We have carried out the plan, proposed last year, of grading the four schools at Center Rutland, and, we think, with most gratifying results. Miss Meldon was appointed preceptress; and, under her competent supervision, the teachers are doing effective work. Merit cards and systematic examinations have been introduced with good results.

The school in the Billings district we thought best to re-open.

There is urgent need of greater school accommodations in the Chaffee district—55 names appear in one of the registers there for the term now closing. The school building

at Center Rutland should have a furnace. If the Sewell system of heating will do what is claimed for it in the way of ventilation, odorless closets and warmth, we believe that this building should be equipped with it. It would be economical both in point of expense and health. Nearly all the school buildings need painting, but we have not had the means at our disposal to do it with; and we offer the same excuse for the lamentable want of the maps, globes, dictionaries, etc., which should be in all school rooms.

The board has succeeded in arranging its affairs so as to have so far finished the business of the year, that a very close estimate can be made of the money necessary to be expended between the time of submitting their report to the printer and the close of the school year, March 31st. A careful estimate places this amount at \$1,130, of which sum \$810 will be expended in the wages of teachers for the closing weeks of the present term of school.

Here follows a list of orders drawn during the past school year up to February 15:

133	April 9	Edward Green, janitor.....	\$ 5 00
134	May 29	C. E. Sargent, fuel.....	15 00
135		James Fitzgerald, kalsomining.	10 00
136		M. L. Thomas, cleaning, etc....	20 50
137	June 1	C. Clark, treas., teachers' wages	767 00
138	22	J. A. Pinney, wood and cleaning	12 00
139		A. L. Davis, fuel	39 50
140		Dennis Drislin, janitor.	5 00
141		James Dwyer, janitor.....	5 00
142		M. L. Thomas, sawing wood .	5 00
143	23	C. Clark, treas., teachers' wages	339 00
144	July 9	John Doyle, janitor.....	5 00
145		Dennis Kelliher, odd work.....	5 00
146	25	Henrietta C. Royce, teaching..	6 00
147	26	Carrie Kingsley, teaching.....	12 00
148		Joseph Austin, janitor.....	10 00
149	Aug. 20	Harris Mfg. Co., furniture....	5 00

150	Aug. 20	L. G. Kingsley, ass'g, renovating	\$9 25
151		M. L. Thomas, janitor.....	1 50
152		J. P. Crowley, janitor.....	1 00
153	Sept 7	Nettie Wilkinson, teaching....	6 00
154	10	Mrs. Brown, cleaning.....	13 00
155	15	Alonzo Levins, kalsomining....	7 25
156	28	C. Clark, treas., teachers' wages	365 00
157		Journal Co., printing.....	2 00
158		Michael Nalon, placing seats...	5 00
159		Mary Welsh, cleaning.....	5 00
160		Dennis Kelliher, odd jobs.....	1 50
161	Oct. 26	Chas. Clark, treasurer, teachers' wages.....	585 00
162		H. W. Wilcox, fuel.....	12 50
163		Harmon Clark, gravel.....	2 00
164		Dennis Kelliher, labor.....	5 00
165	Nov. 19	E. H. Wood, stove.....	35 00
166		J. E. Robinson & Co., fuel....	67 58
167		C. E. Sargent, cleaning, etc....	3 75
168		Tuttle Co., school supplies....	12 60
169		Gould & Burditt, fuel.....	196 73
170		James Barrett, counsel.....	10 00
171		M. L. Thomas, supplies, etc....	1 85
172		Chas. Clark, treasurer, teachers' wages..	469 00
173		M. L. Thomas, salary.....	50 00
174		James Dwyer, salary.....	50 00
175		P. H. Barrett, salary.....	50 00
176		J. P. Crowley, salary.....	50 00
177		Joseph Austin, salary.....	50 00
178		Dennis Ferry, clerk hire.....	50 00
179		Dennis Kelliher, janitor.....	10 00
180		James Dwyer, Jr., janitor.....	15 00
181	Dec. 21	Chas. Clark, treasurer, teachers' wages.....	339 00
182		James Stitt, janitor.....	6 00
183		S. P. Stockwell, window work..	5 44

184	Jan. 25	Chas. Clark, treasurer, teachers' wages.....	\$468 00
185		J. B. Murphy, stove work....	3 00
186		Dennis Kelliher, odd jobs.....	5 00
187		Harris M'fg Co., repairing blinds.....	7 25
188	Feb. 15	Mansfield & Stimson, stove....	20 00
189		M. L. Thomas, janitors, etc....	27 75
190		J. E. Robinson & Co., fuel, etc.	36 25
191		Harris M'fg Co., furniture....	6 00
192		Herald Association, adv.....	2 25
193		M. J. Francisco, insurance....	35 69
194		Dunn & Cramton, supplies....	13 50
195		" " .. .	20 80
196		A. C. Bates & Son, supplies....	4 01
197		Tuttle Company.....	9 10
198		Charles E. Sargent, janitor....	7 35

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